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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Jueterbog airfield between 2 and 15 February 1955:

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2 February. No air activity was observed. The weather was foggy throughout the day. Maintenance and overhauling work was being done on the MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s parked in the hangars.

3 February. At about 1000, 10 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were towed from the northern hangars to the eastern end of the runway. Between 1030 and 1400, individual local flights of about 20 minutes duration were made, at intervals of about 20 minutes. When air activity was discontinued, the aircraft were towed back into the hangars.

4 February. Twenty Mi G-15s or U-MiG-15s were towed from the western hangars to the eastern end of the runway. At 1000, air activity began and 1 swept-back jet fighter with a sleeve target took off. [REDACTED] interval, 3 other MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s followed and individual [REDACTED] sleeve target with machine guns over the target range. Up [REDACTED] MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s towing sleeve targets alternately took off 5 times and, during each flight, the sleeve target was attacked by 3 aircraft. After an interval between 1400 and 1530, individual flights toward Markendorf were made at large intervals until about 2200.

5 February. No air activity was observed.

7 February. Between 1200 and 1500, individual local flights were made by the MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s from the northern hangars.

8 February. Beginning at 0900, 18 swept-back jet fighters were towed from the western hangars, took off toward the east and practiced individual flying. The aircraft returned from the east for landing. Air activity was discontinued at 1400.

9 February. It rained until about 1500. Subsequently, 22 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were towed to the eastern end of the runway and 4 aircraft took off at intervals of 5 minutes and headed toward Markendorf. The aircraft returned together after about 20 minutes and landed individually at intervals of 1 minute. After 30 minutes, the next 4 aircraft took off, also headed toward Markendorf and returned after 20 minutes. This type of flying was apparently continued until about midnight. No details could be observed after 1800.

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10 February. During the morning, maintenance work was being done on the aircraft parked in the northern hangars. A MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 [redacted] was observed in front of the northwestern hangar. Five soldiers under the supervision of 1 officer worked on the landing gear, nose compartment and underside of the wings of this aircraft. Between 1900 and 2030, there was air activity by 18 swept-back jet fighters from the western hangar, as on the preceding day.

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11 February. Between 0900 and 0945, an IL-28 [redacted] flew over the target range. The aircraft towed a sleeve target which was attacked by light AA guns. Two swept-back jet fighters [redacted] were towed from the northeastern hangar to the northwestern hangar. There, the two aircraft were examined and 5 soldiers worked on its tail unit under the supervision of an officer. At 1100, 4 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s taxied from the western hangar to the runway, took off individually and at intervals of 15 minutes, made local flights of 10 minutes duration. Maintenance work was being done on the other aircraft. Four IL-28s [redacted] were parked in the northwestern hangar. The two aircraft [redacted] have been stationed at the field for some time, [redacted] aircraft [redacted] had apparently arrived at Jueterbog on the evening of 10 February.

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12 to 15 February. No air activity was observed at the field.

14 February. Officers and EM received instruction. 1

2. On 11 February, 15 railroad tank cars moved on the spur track to the fuel dump at the field.

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4. On 5 February, 8 Po-2s were observed in front of the small eastern hangar at Jueterbog Damm airfield. No air activity was observed. 3

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1. [redacted] Comment. Jueterbog airfield is still occupied by 2 fighter regiments. More intensive air activity has been observed since early February 1955. About 40 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s from the northern and western hangars

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3. [redacted] Comment. The Po-2s which are still stationed at Jueterbog-Damm airfield are believed to be liaison aircraft from the headquarters of the Third Gds Mecz Army.

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